

Daily Holidays & Observances Calendar



2026

MAY

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26	27	28	29	30	1 Lei Day National Space Day	2 National Baby Day Kentucky Derby Day National Scrapbook Day National Fitness Day
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24 National Scavenger Hunt Day International Tiara Day	25 Memorial Day National Brown-Bag-It Day	26 National Paper Airplane Day	27 National Senior Health & Fitness Day Sunscreen Day	28 National Hamburger Day	29 Paper Clip Day National Learn About Composting Day	30 Water A Flower Day National Creativity Day
31 National Speak in Complete Sentences Day National Smile Day	1	<p>May 2026 Daily Holidays & Observances Calendar</p> <p>Refer to this calendar for inspiration and themed activity ideas for your program! Find ideas below and clicks to find related items to support your activities.</p>				

Date	Observance/Holiday	Activity Ideas
May 1st	Lei Day National Space Day	Accessorize with our DIY leis craft kit where your group can make their own flower leis! Check out these Outer Space and Galaxy themed activities for your group!
May 2nd	National Baby Day Kentucky Derby Day National Scrapbook Day National Fitness Day	Kids can learn important skills with dolls and accessories for dramatic pl. Plan several activities for the Kentucky Derby at your senior living facility. Your group can make their own scrapbooks to capture special moments during the year. Use fitness dice, exercise balls, yoga equipment, and other accessories to boost your fitness program!
May 3rd	National Two Different Colored Shoes Day World Laughter Day National Lemonade Day	A day to encourage uniqueness in a fun way by designing your own sneakers with different color markers. Play this silly guessing game as a brain break, where you act out words and everyone has to guess!
May 4th	Star Wars Day National Kids Fitness Day	Incorporate characters, props, and scenes from the Star Wars movie into your lessons. May the 4th be with you! Our Fitness Challenge Calendars are a great way to encourage students to get active!
May 5th	Cinco de Mayo Teacher's Day	Celebrate by painting maracas, decorating your walls, and add a fun themed pinata for the best fiesta ever! These simple DIY gift ideas are great for showing your appreciation for teachers today!
May 6th	National Bike & Roll to School National School Nurse Day Project Aces Day	Join other schools on this national observance and encourage kids to safely bike to school. Your group can show appreciation to healthcare workers by making a noteholder craft and writing personal notes. Learn more about the Project ACES (All Children Exercise Simultaneously) program >
May 7th	National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day Make A Book Day	Gather resources to promote positivity and improve self-esteem & mental health for your group Students can create their own books , and then fill them with stories, poems and more.
May 8th	World Red Cross Day	Have kids create their own first aid kits with waterproof bags to teach the importance of safety.
May 9th	National Alphabet Magnet Day Mother Ocean Day Bird Day National Miniature Golf Day National Archery Day	Alphabet magnets are great tools for hands-on learning and to enhance phonics lessons! Celebrate with fun Under the Sea themed crafts and activities for kids. Plan some bird themed crafts for your group today, like a themed suncatcher kit. Have students come up with their own DIY mini golf courses for PE using random materials. Get students interested in archery with some bow and target sets .
May 10th	Clean Up Your Room Day Mother's Day	Teach kids the importance of staying organized by having them each clean up a section of the classroom! Plan some DIY keepsake craft activities to celebrate Mother's Day .
May 11th	National Twilight Zone Day	Have kids play Clue Junior , a classic mystery game, in honor of this holic
May 12th	National Limerick Day	Teach your group that a limerick is a 5 line poem and have them come up with one!
May 13th	Frog Jumping Day	Host a frog-themed toss game using these beanbag frogs and see who can land theirs on the lily pads (spot markers)
May 14th	Dance Like A Chicken Day	Celebrate by playing this fun chicken toss game and the players all have to dance in between their turn.
May 15th	National Chocolate Chip Day NASCAR Day National Pizza Party Day	We have some great bulk snack options for your program, including chocolate chip cookies! Your group can assemble and decorate their own custom race cars while they learn a simple lesson about physics. Create a pizza party money jar and when it's full have a group pizza party for lunch!

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May 16th	Love A Tree Day Wear Purple For Peace Day Armed Forces Day	Plan a wooden tree craft for your group to do together while learning the importance of nature. Have the class decorate their own Peace Sign Foam Hands , and encourage them to wear purple for this day. Celebrate Armed Forces Day at your organization with these activities and decorations.
May 17th	World Baking Day	Celebrate by baking some cupcakes for your group to sell during a bake sale.
May 18th	International Museum Day	Plan a field trip to a local museum and discuss what the groups overall favorite exhibit was.
May 19th	May Ray Day World Plant a Vegetable Garden Day Dinosaur Day	Be sure to plan some outdoor activities today so your group can soak up the sun rays! Learn some crafty ways to label your vegetable garden this year. Plan some dino games, crafts, and activities like a Dino Dig . Kids will love a Dinosaur Theme!
May 20th	World Bee Day	Plan a fun Paper Bee Craft activity for your kids while they learn simple facts about these insects.
May 21st	Eat More Fruits & Vegetables Day National Memo Day National Notebook Day	Use these fruit and veggies to teach your group about the importance of staying healthy! Great for parachute play! This sunflower themed memo board craft kit is perfect to celebrate the Spring season. Have students record their notes in a journal that also inspires their creativity!
May 22nd	Buy A Musical Instrument Day National Maritime Day	Use a selection of musical instruments to bring out the creativity in your group today! A perfect day to plan Nautical themed crafts and activities for inspiration.
May 23rd	World Turtle Day National Wig Out Day	We love these themed turtle crafts and puzzles in honor of this animal today! Decorate plain hats to make DIY wigs by using colored yarn,cotton balls and other craft materials!
May 24th	National Scavenger Hunt Day International Tiara Day	Kids can search for buried treasure as you set up a scavenger hunt with clue for them to find it. Host a fun dress up party where kids can wear tiaras for imaginative play!
May 25th	Memorial Day National Brown-Bag-It Day	Plan some activities with your group today and remember those who served. A great day to host a fundraiser for families that can't supply their own lunches for students.
May 26th	National Paper Airplane Day	Let students fold and design their own paper airplanes and have a contest to see which one flies farthest.
May 27th	National Senior Health & Fitness Day Sunscreen Day	Be sure to plan some fitness activities for your senior living facility Exercise Class. Be sure to teach kids to wear sunscreen and the importance of sun safe
May 28th	National Hamburger Day	Kids can turn their name into a hamburger using bubble lettering and colored pencils or markers!
May 29th	Paper Clip Day National Learn About Composting Day	Make Spring themed flower bookmarks with paper clips and felt flowers. Use this downloadable guide to teach your group about composting with a few different activities.
May 30th	Water A Flower Day National Creativity Day	Use this Flower Garden craft kit to incorporate an educational lesson into your classroom. We love this Building Bricks Creative Pack that fosters creativity through building.
May 31st	National Speak in Complete Sentences Day National Smile Day	Use these site word beanbags as an aid to your lesson plan to help reinforce your students' learning. Fill your classroom or space with emoji or smile themed games, crafts, and accessories!

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